

# NEW YORK OFFERS ROOMS FOR THE UNO

## This City, Boston and Atlantic City Will Be Suggested for Interim Headquarters

New York will be one of three cities recommended for interim headquarters of the United Nations Organization, it appeared certain yesterday after hotel officials had agreed to provide accommodations for 5,000 persons during the September session of the General Assembly.

Dr. Stoyan Gavrilovitch, chairman of the inspection committee, was expected officially today to add this city to a list that already includes Boston and Atlantic City, N. J., as potential temporary sites. The General Assembly in London will pass on the respective merits of the three, presumably after it names a permanent headquarters. Final decision on both matters is expected by Feb. 10.

The housing committee of the Hotel Association of New York City has agreed unanimously to offer facilities for a maximum of 5,000 persons during the session of the General Assembly, including 250 suites for a period of six weeks starting Sept. 1, Dr. Gavrilovitch said. The pledge was received by Grover A. Whalen, chairman of the Mayor's UNO committee, at a meeting Wednesday night.

### Pledges Fifty More Suites

The Waldorf-Astoria, which is not affiliated with the association, has pledged an additional fifty suites during meetings of the General Assembly, it was reported.

The city's offer of facilities includes part of the Sperry Gyroscope Plant at Lake Success, Nassau County, the Rockefeller Center Theatre, and the Whitelaw Reid mansion at Madison Avenue and Fiftieth Street. The committee was still confronted with the problem of housing 2,000 personnel of the Secretariat, but Mr. Whalen assured Dr. Gavrilovitch, after conferring with Commissioner Robert Moses and County Executive J. Russel Sprague, that necessary space would be found both in Nassau and in Queens.

Mr. Sprague asserted that, although the residents of Nassau welcomed the interim location of the UNO in their area, the group would be expected to "pay its own way" and would have to yield priority to the housing needs of the county's veterans.

Dr. Gavrilovitch gave it as his opinion that a permanent site would enjoy the same tax-free status as that of an embassy and added it would be logical to conclude that any interim facility would be tax-free also. Any community would benefit so greatly from the UNO's presence, he said that it would make up for whatever tax losses were incurred.

Taking cognizance of a report from Westchester County, where officials had been reported concerned over a proposal to expand the Stamford-Westchester site to 140 square miles, including one fourth of the county, he said his committee wanted "forty to fifty square miles."

### Greenwich-Stamford Alarm

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GREENWICH, Conn., Jan. 31—A report that the Greenwich-Stamford area was first preference on the list of proposed sites for the permanent headquarters of the United Nations Organization caused an explosion of public protest tonight.

At a hurriedly called meeting of some 200 "representative" residents of the town petitions were adopted that said the signers had "no hostility toward the UNO or the hopes for world peace which underlie the organization," but they felt that "the placing of a large institution, such as the capital of the UNO, in or adjacent to Greenwich will so change the character of the community, which up to this time has been purely residential, that the home environment of many thousands of people will be seriously disturbed."

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